

Veterans' Affairs Committee

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor and Council Chambers City Hall, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, Arizona

Legal Action Report

1. Call to Order/Establish a Quorum

Meeting called to order by Secretary, Samantha Bivens at 6:00 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present: Representing:

Steven Walker

Samantha Bivens

Valerie Davis

William Burks

American Legion Post 7

American Red Cross

AMVETS Post 770

DAV Cactus Chapter 2

Carol Rundell Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary
C.W. Hall Disabled American Veterans Chapter 4
Phyllis Russell Esperanza En Escalante

Terry Byron Marine Corps League, Marana Nighthawk
Gerald Petersen Military Officers Association of America
Murray Baker Tucson Jewish War Veterans Post 201

Absent:

Norman Ross Arizona Korean War Veterans Association

Bob Slocum, Vice Chairman Military Order of the Purple Heart

Ed Torres, Chairman Missing in America Project

Paul Marsh Tucson Veterans Cemetery Group
Bruce Hamilton Tucson Veterans Serving Veterans

Dan Ross Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 106

Staff Members Present:

Donna DeLeon City Clerk's Office, Recording Secretary

Others Present:

Lizette Eckerman American Legion Post 7

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Invocation

The invocation was given by Committee Member Baker.

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4. Introduction of Guests

Lizette Eckerman from American Legion Post 7 was acknowledged.

10. Lizette Eckerman from American Legion Post 7 to speak on Veterans Day Parade

This item was taken out of order. Presentation was given by Lizette Eckerman regarding funding for the Veterans Day Parade. Discussion was held. No formal action was taken.

5. Approval of Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from February 11, 2015

It was moved by Committee Member Baker, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 10 to 0 (Chairman Torres, Vice Chairman Slocum and Committee Members D. Ross, Marsh, N. Ross, Hamilton absent/excused) to approve the Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from the February 11, 2015 meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report

Report was given by Committee Member Byron, a handout was distributed, and discussion was held. It was moved by Committee Member Baker, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 10 to 0 (Chairman Torres, Vice Chairman Slocum and Committee Members D. Ross, Marsh, N. Ross, Hamilton absent/excused) to accept the Financial Report.

7. Consideration / Approval of New Members

There were no new members for consideration. Discussion was held on the recruitment of new members and Veterans organizations. No formal action was taken.

8. Committee Reports

a. Airport Military Lounge

No report was given.

b. Southern Arizona VA Health Care System

No report was given.

c. Tucson Veterans Cemetery

No report was given.

9. Operation Exodus

Brief update given by Committee Member Byron. Discussion was held. No formal action was taken.

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10. Lizette Eckerman from American Legion Post 7 to speak on Veterans Day Parade

This item was taken out of order and was considered after agenda item number 4.

11. Report on Current Events: For the Good of the Order

Reports regarding various upcoming events were provided by Committee Members Walker, Hall, Davis, Baker, Byron, Bivens and Burks. No handouts were distributed. No formal action was taken.

13. Future Agenda Items

- Veterans Day Parade concerns and committee participation
- Recruitment of new members and organizations

14. Salute to Colors

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.